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LISTING OF CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the

Application.

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1. (Currently Amended) A system for enabling system users to determine a real-time status of one or more target system users and to establish communications with the one or more target system users using a user indicator, the system comprising:

     user indicator presentation means for presenting at least one user indicator ~~as a link~~ within at least one electronic document, _wherein the at least one electronic document is generated using any of a plurality of applications and wherein_ each user indicator ~~being~~ _is_ associated with the one or more target system users;

     status presenting means for presenting status indicators associated with corresponding user indicators to provide the real-time status of the one or more target system users; and

     communication means for enabling the system users to initiate communications with the one or more target system users upon selection of the desired user indicator.

2. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising preference presentation means for presenting the system users preference for receiving communications.

3. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising updating means for updating the real-time status of the one or more target system users.

4. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising conference communication means for enabling the system users to establish conference communications with the one or more target system users.

5. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 4, wherein the conference communication means enable the system users to share at least one application.

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6. (Currently Amended) A method for enabling system users to determine a real-time status of one or more target system users and to establish communications with the one or more target system users using a user indicator, the system comprising the steps of:

generating at least one electronic document using any of a plurality of applications;

presenting one or more user indicators as links within the at least one electronic document, each user indicator being associated with at least one system user;

presenting the real-time status of the one or more target system users associated with the one or more user indicators, the real-time status including an availability of the one or more target users to engage in a communication; and

establishing a communication link with the one or more target system users based on the indicated availability of the one or more target users.

7. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 6, further comprising the step of enabling the one or more target system users to establish one or more communication preferences.

8. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 6, further comprising the step of updating the real-time status of the one or more target system users.

9. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 6, further comprising the step of enabling the system users to share at least one application.

10. (Currently Amended) A system for enabling system users to determine a real-time status of one or more target system users and to establish communications with the one or more target system users using a user indicator, the system comprising:

a user indicator presentation module for presenting at least one user indicator as a link within at least one electronic document, wherein the at least one electronic document is generated using any of a plurality of applications and wherein each user indicator being is associated with at least one target system user;

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a status determining module that determines the real-time status of the one or more target system users including an availability of the one or more target users to engage in a communication; and

a communication module that establishes a communication link with the one or more target system users based on the indicated availability of the one or more target users.

11. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 10, further comprising a communication options preference presentation module that presents the system users preference for receiving communications.

12. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 10, further comprising a status updating module that updates the real-time status of the one or more target system users.

13. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 10, further comprising a conference communication module that enables the system users to establish conference communications with the one or more target system users.

14. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the conference communication module enables the system users to share at least one application.

15. (Currently Amended) A processor readable medium having processor readable code embodied therein for enabling at least one system user to obtain a real-time status of one or more target system users and establish a communication link using the real-time status of one or more target system users comprising:

processor readable code that causes a processor to enable the at least one system user to generate at least one electronic document using any of a plurality of applications;

~~user indicator presenting~~ processor readable code that causes the processor to present ~~presents~~ at least one user indicator ~~as a link~~ within the at least one electronic document, each user indicator being associated with the one or more target system users;

~~status providing~~ processor readable code that <u>causes the processor to provide</u> ~~provides~~ the real-time status of the one or more target system users including an availability of the one or more target system users to engage in a communication; and

~~communication establishing~~ processor readable code that <u>causes the processor to establish</u> ~~establishes~~ a communication link with the one or more target system users, based on the indicated availability of the one or more target users.

16. (Currently Amended) The medium of claim 15, further comprising ~~communication preference presenting~~ processor readable code that<u> causes the processor to present</u> ~~presents~~ a preference of the at least one system user to receive communications.

17. (Currently Amended) The medium of claim 16, further comprising ~~communication prioritizing~~ processor readable code that<u> causes the processor to enable</u> ~~enables~~ the one or more target system users to prioritize the preferences.

18. (Currently Amended) The medium of claim 15, further comprising ~~status updating~~ processor readable program code that <u>causes the processor to update</u> ~~updates~~ the real-time status of the one or more target system users.

19. (Currently Amended) The medium of claim 15, further comprising ~~conference communication~~ processor readable code that<u> causes the processor to enable</u> ~~enables~~ the at least one system user to establish conference communications with the one or more target system users.

20. (Currently Amended) The medium of claim 15, wherein the ~~conference communication~~ processor readable code enables the at least one system user to share at least one application<u> upon establishing conference communications</u>.

21. (Currently Amended) A system for enabling system users to determine a real-time status of one or more target system users and to establish communications with the one or more target system users using a user indicator, the system comprising:

a user indicator presentation module associated with a first system application for presenting at least one user indicator ~~as a link~~ within at least one electronic document, wherein the at least one electronic document is generated using any of a plurality of applications and wherein each user indicator ~~being~~ is associated with at least one target system user;

a status determining module associated with a second system application that determines the real-time status of the one or more target system users including an availability of the one or more target users to engage in a communication, wherein the first system application program and the second system application program are different system applications; and

a communication module that establishes a communication link with the one or more target system users based on the indicated availability of the one or more target users.

22. (Currently Amended) A system for enabling system users to determine a real-time status of one or more target system users and to establish communications with the one or more target system users using a user indicator, the system comprising:

a user indicator presentation module for presenting at least one user indicator ~~as a link~~ within at least one electronic document, wherein the at least one electronic document is generated using any of a plurality of non-HTML ~~application~~applications, each user indicator being associated with at least one target system user;

a status determining module that determines the real-time status of the one or more target system users including an availability of the one or more target users to engage in a communication; and

a communication module that establishes a communication link with the one or more target system users based on the indicated availability of the one or more target users.